(c) There are two private medical colleges in Bihar and both are recognised for award of MBBS degree.

Deaths due to viral fever, encephalitis and malaria

†2751. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) wether it is a fact that a large number of people have died in several States due to the viral fever, encephalitis and malaria;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken for eradication of these diseases?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) The number of deaths due to viral encephalitis and malaria, State-wise, during 2003 (upto 11-8-2003), as per reports received from the State Health Authorities, is given in the statement enclosed. (*See* below)

(c) Eradication of malaria and viral encephalitis, which are vector-borne diseases, is not technically feasible.

Strategies adopted for control of Malaria include :—

* Early case detection and prompt treatment.
* Selective vector control.
* Promotion of personal protection methods.
* Early detection and containment of epidemics.
* Information, Education and Communication towards personal protection and community participation.
* Institutional and Management Capacity Building, Trained Manpower Development and efficient Management Information System (MIS).

Strategies being adopted to control viral encephalitis include:—

1. Vector control by insecticidal spraying with approprate insecticide for outbreak containment.
2. Early diagnosis and proper management to reduce fatality.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

3. Health Education.
4. Training of Medical Personnel and Professionals.

Statement

State-wise deaths due to viral encephalitis and malaria during 2003.

S.No.	States/UTs	2003(P)*	
		Viral Encephalitis	Malaria
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	169	1
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	—	0
3.	Assam	39	37
4.	Bihar	0	0
5.	Chhattisgarh	—	0
6.	Goa	0	0
7.	Gujarat	0	0
8.	Haryana	0	0
9.	Himachal Pradesh	—	0
10.	J&K	—	0
11.	Jharkhand	—	0
12.	Karnataka	0	0
13.	Kerala	0	1
14.	Madhya Pradesh	—	0
15.	Maharashtra	111	6
16.	Manipur	0	5
17.	Meghalaya	—	3
18.	Mizoram	—	9
19.	Nagaland	—	0

1	2	3	4
20.	Orissa	—	115
21.	Punjab	0	0
22.	Rajasthan	—	0
23.	Sikkim	—	0
24.	Tamil Nadu	0	0
25.	Tripura	—	0
26.	Uttranchal	—	0
27.	Uttar Pradesh	0	0
28.	West Bengal	0	87
29.	A&N Islands	—	0
30.	Chandigarh	0	0
31.	D&N Haveli	—	0
32.	Daman & Diu	—	0
33.	Delhi	0	0
34.	Lakshadweep	—	0
35.	Pondicherry	—	0
	TOTAL	319	264

*Provisional—Information received till 11-8-2003.

Hindustan Latex Ltd.

2752. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for the development of Hindustan Latex, Trivandrum; and

(b) if so, the details thereof,

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) Hindustan Latex Ltd has plans for increasing the capacity of its plant for manufacturing condom, blood bag etc. and manufacture of 'Suture' and Centchroman Bulk Drug. The Company has also plans to identify and invest in allied areas.